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Louis DePasquale, City Manager City of Cambridge City Hall 796 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139

Dear Mr. DePasquale,

On Wednesday. April 25, 2018, the Cambridge Redevelopment Authority (CRA) voted to tentatively designate the Foundry Consortium as the future operator of the Foundry Building, contingent on your approval and a successful negotiation of a sublease. The Foundry Consortium led by the Lemelson-MIT program, focused their proposal around STEAM learning opportunities and the development of arts and workforce development programs with community partnerships. The CRA decision follows the recommendation of the Evaluation Committee with input from the Foundry Advisory Committee.

Once we have your approval, we will initiate a new phase of community discussions around the programmatic elements of the building. We will bring together the Foundry Consortium and Cambridge Seven teams to consider design implications of their conceptual program. The Foundry Consortium will need to form a new non-profit organization to administer the building operations and the CRA will work closely with them toward a specific building management structure.

We look forward to continuing our work with City staff and the Cambridge community toward the implementation of our collective vision for the Foundry.

Sincerely,

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Thomas L. Evans Executive Director

Approved

Louis A. DePasquale City Manager

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